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## THE PROHIBITION BILL.

Hon. W. J. Hanna yesterday in the Ontario Legislature brought down the new Ontario Temperance Act, the official name for the prohibition measure. In doing so he stated that the bill would become law some time in September without having been submitted to the people. The bill, however, provides that although the license will not be renewed after May 1st of this year, an extension of time will be given all hotels and small distilleries so that they can get rid of their stocks of liquor before the places are closed up. Three members of the present Ontario Legislature will be chosen to act as a commission in administering the act. The bill is patterned after the Macdonald Act of Manitoba, with some alterations. The sale of liquor will be placed in the hands of wholesale and retail dealers. Mr. Hanna stated that prohibition will prevail until after the war, and until the soldiers have all returned home. It may be two or three years until the people are asked to vote on it. A majority vote will then settle the question. The consumption of liquor in the homes of the people will not be prohibited, but it will be prohibited in clubs.

The act does not interfere with counties now under the Scott Act, as no Provincial law can override a Dominion one. The Scott Act will still prevail in these. Local option districts, however, will be wiped out, and will come under the provisions of the new act exactly as if they had been under license. The question arises as to the status of these districts after the referendum vote has been taken. Should the referendum be defeated after the war, would the Local Option districts still remain dry? Another matter, will the districts be permitted to sell liquor to other countries? Nothing was said about this question. The question will come up in the House later, and we expect that a strong effort will be made to have some consideration shown for the liquor men. Not a word was said, however, about employment, and if composition of any kind was granted the holders of licenses, it would surely be fair to ignore the claims of the workmen. But it looks as if Premier Hanna has made up his mind that there will be no composition.

Many of the mere saloons will not doubt close up for good, but in the organization the hotel proper should be left to keep open for the necessities of the hotel. The Government should do something cannot be done for these hotels as a necessity, and the Government may be able to assist them in some way. The general public must be served by increased rates for meals and accommodation. We do not imagine that the hotel men will liquor for the mere pleasure of doing so. It is for the profit there is in the business. But if keeping open the hotels can be made profitable, they need not complain.

In many hotels in local option towns the bar has not been closed. Soft drinks, local option beer, cigars, etc., are sold over the bar. It is in conjunction with the regular hotel business, makes it possible for the hotel men to keep open houses.

The bill has practically the full support of the Liberals in the House. Leader Mowbray expressed his pleasure at the introduction of the measure and by way of rubbing it in a little pointed out that it was just about four years ago that the government was in the House and that its resolution for the abolition of the bar, which my honorable friend (Mr. Hanna) at that occasion said was a joke. I am glad to say that we are agreed on both sides of the House now on this important advance.

## THE NATIVE BORN.

The publication of the figures showing the number of men, who have enlisted in Canada since the beginning of the war has again brought the question as to how the native-born are responding to the call. The other week Senator Mason made a statement in the Senate in which he gave out the following figures:

Number of Canadian born of service age, according to last census, 97,521.
Number enlisted up to February 15, 71,825.
Number not enlisted at that time, 25,696.
Number of British born of service age, according to last census, 285,538.
Number enlisted at February 15, 114,487.
Number not enlisted at February 15, 171,051.
Number of foreign born of service age, 27,672.
Number enlisted up to February 15, 18,996.
Number not enlisted at February 15, 8,676.

According to these figures, which, of course, are not official, are only the half of the British born who enlisted prior to Feb. 15, while only a mere fraction of the Canadian born had enlisted at that time. Since then, however, there has been a very marked increase in the enlistment of the native

born. The first expeditionary force was largely made up of old country men. But since then the Canadians have come to the front remarkably well.

Senator Mason declares that there are now left in Canada more than 1,000,000 men of military age, of British or Canadian birth, but that at least 900,000 of these are Canadian born. He expressed himself as being of the belief that "some organized steps should be taken, as in the United Kingdom, Australia and New Zealand, to find out how the country stands in relation to these men—who of them are willing and who are not free from fear—for some or more of the many reasons which may exist." This belief is rapidly growing in this country also. The Government should wake up and take notice.

## COULLED FROM A DIRECTORY.

The Newspaper Press Directory, established 1846, the 71st annual edition of which has just come to hand, published by C. Mitchell & Co., Limited, Mitchell House, 1 and 2 Snow Hill, London, E.C., is a volume full of valuable information for the newspaper and business world. Besides containing a complete newspaper directory of the British, Colonial and foreign press, it contains special information of various kinds, such as, which make it valuable to every business man. Captain R. Mulholland Collins, R.N., C.M.G., has been appointed as "Chief Trade Relations" between Great Britain and the British Dominions as the result of the war. It should interest all traders and advertisers who seek to profit by the boom of trade expected to follow at the close of the war.

The following information is called from the work:

A rough and ready estimate of the men engaged in the war. Russia has employed 5 per cent. of her people, France 10 per cent., and Britain 1 per cent. The Allies have nearly 15,000,000 men under arms, and the enemy nearly 12,000,000. In addition to these are the men employed in munition factories, etc. There is little unemployment owing to the shortage of labor, due to enlistments and the growth of industries engaged in supplying war material. There is indeed an active demand for competent and healthy men in the army. Only a few luxury trades are suffering. During the first year of the war, two and a half million workers in Britain received increased rates of wages amounting to £50,000,000 per year, or over 30 per cent. back, apart from the substantial rises paid by agricultural laborers, seamen, railway men and Government employees. Huge sums have also been earned as overtime pay, or over 30 per cent. back, apart from the substantial rises paid by agricultural laborers, seamen, railway men and Government employees. Huge sums have also been earned as overtime pay, or over 30 per cent. back, apart from the substantial rises paid by agricultural laborers, seamen, railway men and Government employees.

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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

"Don't forget to-morrow—night's subscription meeting."

Even the German women may be allowed to vote just like the men.

No one need wait for registration or conscription. They can go and enlist.

Of course, Col. J. Wesley Allison may have gone to England with Sir Sam Hughes.

Senator Davis charges the Hon. W. J. Hanna with being subservient to the Standard Oil Company. The matter is to come up in the Senate.

A woman's vote will not give the Premier a seat yet. Perhaps after the war? They cannot serve: vote for the husband, who is the command of Mr. Elliott.

Sir Sam Hughes, who ran away to the sea for Germany, has been named as an investigation into the Shell Committee, to have his accounts inspected by the Public Accounts Committee.

The Tory members of the Legislature are not united on the Prohibition Bill. There are quite a few opposed to the bill and there was a big fight in the House yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Hieatt has gone so far that he cannot draw back.

Six members of Parliament—three appointed by Premier Borden and three appointed by Sir Wilfrid Laurier—will sit at Hon. Robert Rogers, Minister of Public Works, in the construction of the current Parliament Buildings. They will be no change in the appearance of the "old" outside of the building, but the interior will be changed to the modern and convenient.

In Parliament yesterday Mr. Lemieux brought up the case of Jack Reid.

The Calgary Socialist, who is now in the hot seat, and Armand Lavigne, M.P. The Government then the onus on the Provincial Legislature for Reid's sentence, and declared that it did not know what he was talking about. It seems that Reid had said among other things, that British soldiers sold German flags preserved in alcohol in Scotland and Paris.

Much regret will be expressed over the death of Col. Alex. H. Moore, who died this morning. He had been failing in health for some time. The Colonel was long associated with the public life of Hamilton. He was for many years an alderman of the city, and for a long time a member of the Hospital Board. He was also for many years connected with the 13th Battalion, latterly being Colonel of the regiment. He will be much missed by his friends and by the Hospital Board.

The question of registration will not down. The Toronto Telegram says:

Ontario's men and women will vote this year. The registration should be a system of intelligent scrutiny. Ontario should not let the full quota of the 500,000 force that Canada is to raise, if the other provinces fail to raise theirs. In proportion to their population, Ontario will have done her duty. She should not be called upon to do more.

The logical outcome of haphazard education will be to tie up Ontario's whole industrial and agricultural system for lack of men. A system of thorough industrial education would be followed in some other provinces. Such a system might protect certain provinces from being recruited into there is nobody left to run the farms or the factories, and other provinces remain indifferent to the call of duty.

Is Brantford "The Telephone City"? The question is now being asked by the Expositor, and the whole of Brantford is well high hysterical over the question. The reason for this is that it is to be the first of the following Boston despatch which has reached Brantford:

Boston, March 14.—In commemoration of the birth of the telephone and its first use in this city forty years ago, two tablets have just been unveiled here by Professor Alexander Graham Bell. The first tablet was set in a building on Court street, where Professor Bell conceived the idea of transmission of the human voice over a wire. The tablet bears the inscription:

"Here the telephone was born June 16th, 1876."

The other tablet has been placed on a building on Essex place, from which Professor Bell transmitted the first complete and intelligible message. Thomas A. Watson on March 10th, 1876.

Now the question is what is to be done with the tablet in the place of the phone. Brantford has been misquoting in false colors. But the Expositor still clings in desperation to Brantford's claim, and has no objection to the tablet having two birthplaces. The tablet help sympathizing with our neighbors, and would help them if we could.

## OTHER PAPERS' VIEWS.

A BACKWARD GLIMPSE.  
(Hochester Post-Express)  
Spring reports from nearly all countries in Europe show a drop from a fortnight to three weeks ago.

UP TO THE LADIES.  
(London Evening Standard)  
The matter is largely in the hands of the women themselves. When they want to, they can vote.

THE REAL CULPRIT.  
(London Press)  
It was 22 years ago that an Irishman charged with murdering a woman was hanged. He was a native of the United States, and his name was John Dillinger.

WHERE VOLUNTEERING FAILS.  
(Chicago Tribune)  
Citizens know that in times of need, it is the duty of every citizen to provide for his own defense. It is the duty of every citizen to provide for his own defense.

GERMAN DENIALS.  
(Philadelphia Record)  
The surprise to us is that Germany should be so stupid as to deny the existence of the German submarine fleet. The German submarine fleet is a fact.

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## THE FUNNY SIDE.

WAS IT SARCASTIC?  
(Toronto Star)  
Mrs. O'Connor, who is the dealer's wife, when she was asked if she was not a little bit of a comedian, she said: "I am not a comedian, but I am a little bit of a comedian."

AN EDITORIAL THEME.  
(Kempster City Journal)  
"Whether we are writing" murmured the editor of the "Kempster City Journal" "it is time for another editorial on 'The Question of the Day'."

QUALIFIED.  
(Washington Star)  
"What profession do you think your boy will follow?" asked the mother of a young man who was about to enter the army.

NOT ALWAYS.  
(Globe)  
"Do you always wear such lovely frocks?" asked a young man of a young woman.

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Lovers of high-class photo-productions will be delighted to know that on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of next week the Grand will offer another of the many excellent photo-productions, when Mary Pickford is to be seen in her latest and greatest success, "The Little Princess," a little red feature which is said to be a wonder. There will be three shows daily, at 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30, and popular prices will prevail. Matinees, 10c and 15c, and evening seats can be reserved for 10c and 25c.

CENTENARY CHOR.

An interesting feature of the annual concert of Centenary Choir, to be given this evening, in addition to the famous "Messe Solenne," will be the effective arrangement of Schubert's "Omniportance," with Mrs. Estelle Carey-Alian as soloist. The singing artists from Toronto, Mrs. Ida McLean Dilworth, Rodolfo Holmstead and Arthur Blight will sing several selections, in addition to the work in the Centenary composition.

TEMPLE.

Headlining an excellent bill at the Temple Theatre next week will be Jose Pina and her trained show, "The Little Princess," a little red feature which is said to be a wonder. There will be three shows daily, at 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30, and popular prices will prevail. Matinees, 10c and 15c, and evening seats can be reserved for 10c and 25c.

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## JAIL IS THE PLACE FOR HER

Bertha Chapman Collapsed When She Got the Dose.

Has Been Taking Very Young Girls to Her House.

Mrs. Bertha Chapman will be brought from the streets of Hamilton for three months to come, for it is the police court this morning she was found guilty of keeping a disorderly house and sentenced to a term by Magistrate Jell. The chief complainant against Mrs. Chapman was a young girl, who swore that the prisoner had enticed her to her home and had brought her there, and that she had been kept there for several months.

This Mrs. Chapman denied, but several male witnesses were called and they all swore to staying at the Chapman home over night. Another young lady was called, who swore that she had been kept there for several months.

Young Logan and John Giffie were found guilty of standing on the corner of James and Stuart streets after being ordered by a constable to move on, and for this offence they were fined \$2 each.

Mrs. McNeil pleaded guilty to allowing her dog to run at large, and was ordered to pay \$5 or give up the dog to the police. She was given until to-night to decide.

George Turner pleaded guilty to keeping two pigs within the city limits, and was fined \$10.

William—What a boob! That's the name of a fellow who goes to picnic and always manages to get the car stuck in the mud. He has been called the man who holds



















the druggists we have the best possible method.

**DRUGGISTS NOT ANXIOUS.**

"I may say to the House the druggists are not anxious to have the thing, the worst, the most dangerous

Mrs. Neighbors—Do you and your husband live happily together. Enpeck—Sure. I'd just like to see my husband try not to live happily with me.—Indianapolis Star.

I have seen such men, gaunt, staggering along, half-naked, with a piece of cloth for shoes, unable to speak, with barely strength left

headed women are weaklings, but 're going to let him tell them.—  
com News.

Legouffre was killed instantly while jumping from the train. The others were pinned under the wreckage and passed the entire night there, calling

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